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Sudan: Travel Restrictions

The U.S. Government has **not** imposed additional travel restrictions on Sudanese political leaders. It appears that there has been some confusion in the media concerning travel bans that may be imposed on officials of other nationalities.

Sudanese visa applicants are subject to standard clearance procedures which the US Government pursues for applicants of all nations, as well as procedures that apply to applicants of all nations designated as sponsors of terrorism. These procedures have been in place for some time, and there have been no additional restrictions.

In the last two weeks, the U.S. Government received applications for, undertook the processing of and issued 23 travel visas for senior officials of the Government of Sudan. These officials are currently attending sessions of the United Nations General Assembly in New York.

We are unaware of any new decisions to impose additional restrictions on the travel of Sudanese politicians to the United States.